

## **TripAdvisor Recognizes America's Best Family Destinations with 2011 Travelers' Choice Family Awards**

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#### Travelers' Choice Family Award-winning U.S. Amusement Park Destinations:

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1. Anaheim, California
  2. Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin
  3. Wildwood Crest, New Jersey
  4. Orlando, Florida
  5. Sandusky, Ohio
  6. Myrtle Beach, South Carolina
  7. Hershey, Pennsylvania
  8. Ocean City, Maryland
  9. Carlsbad, California
  10. Panama City, Florida

#### Travelers' Choice Family Award-winning Great U.S. Destinations to Discover:

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1. Williamsburg, Virginia
  2. Virginia Beach, Virginia
  3. Lake George, New York
  4. Pigeon Forge, Tennessee

5. Branson, Missouri
6. Gatlinburg, Tennessee
7. Corpus Christi, Texas
8. Port Aransas, Texas
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